

# Sedalia Evening Democrat.

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## BOOM COMMENCED.

### SEDALIA TO HAVE AN IMMENSE CONVENTION HALL.

Also Another Large First Class Hotel-Important Meeting of Capitalists.

There was a quiet meeting of capitalists in Sedalia this morning at which a proposition was discussed that has for Sedalia's interests an import greater than has come to her in years.

Politicians all over the state express themselves emphatically at any and all times that Sedalia's location and her railroad facilities make her by far the most desirable place in the state for holding conventions. Not only is this true of political conventions, but large meetings of any nature find in Sedalia a point that stamps her future as a great one when her ability to properly accommodate strangers is considered.

At present, she has two things to retard her. One is the lack of a large convention hall, and the other of a larger hotel.

The meeting of capitalists this morning had in view these two particular points, and propositions for the purchase of property and the organization of a stock company, for the erection of an immense hotel and a mammoth convention hall were discussed.

The old Atlantic Garden property for the hotel and the Craycroft property, on the opposite side of the street, for the hall, were the subjects of negotiation.

One gentleman present offered to invest \$75,000 in a hotel on consideration that others add to it \$50,000, thus making a \$125,000 building.

The matter is being pushed vigorously and is in the hands of men who have both money and business ability and to whom the interests of Sedalia are dear.

This is by far one of the most sensible and important meetings ever held in Sedalia. With its objects gained, an era of prosperity would open to Sedalia such as her people never dreamed of. No other two buildings could be erected that would influence her future more than these.

#### New York Life Insurance Company.

In another column will be found Superintendent Pierce's report of the condition of the New York Life Insurance company. Policy holders are to be congratulated in being insured in a company that has passed through the most searching and critical examination ever made of a life insurance company, and now stands alone in being the only one in which each share of stock, each bond, each loan on real estate has been separately scheduled and valued, the title to each parcel of land loaned on, has been thoroughly investigated by experts selected by the insurance department. It is not the report of an officer or agent, but of a state official.

Examinations of the title cover and relate to over 1,100 pieces of land. The report says the company have "loans on bond and mortgages (first liens), on real estate amounting to \$20,825,483.04. There are only four mortgages wherein the loan is greater than the security on account of which the sum of \$11,700 has been deducted from the amount claimed by the company. In some of the real estate which the company has been compelled to take by foreclosure, it has been more fortunate than those above mentioned, the most noticeable of which are the following: "Real estate No. 427, cost \$117,271.04, appraised at \$360,000; Nos. 2 and 3, cost \$3,414, appraised at \$37,950; No. 363, cost \$32,886.01, appraised at \$75,000; farm in Washington, N. J., cost \$30,000, appraised at \$45,000, and others showing small advances." Mr. Pierce does not explain the circumstances connected with the Holbrook Hall property. After coming into the hands of the company by foreclosure it was found to be defective (a defect which could not have been foreseen) and condemned, necessitating its being torn down and rebuilt.

For his valuation of the Paris property he takes the valuation of the director of taxes (the same as our assessor), who valued it at 2,450,000 francs. The French Credit Foncier, the largest institution of its kind in France, values it at 4,500,000 francs.

The Plaza hotel property is located opposite Central Park, on the corner of Fifty-ninth street and

Fifth avenue, in a portion of the city where property is rapidly enhancing in value. Referring to the Plaza hotel and Home office building, Mr. Pierce makes the following statement: "Regarding the valuation of the Plaza hotel and the Home office building, well-known gentlemen in the real estate business estimated the value of the Plaza Hotel as being \$2,750,000, and the Home office building at \$2,000,000. These statements and estimates are filed herewith, and marked 'Exhibit A.'" This is more than the property cost the company.

Mr. Pierce reports the company as being possessed of \$120,000,000, securely invested, which includes the surplus of nearly \$15,000,000.

His report of the condition of the company does not warrant his severe criticisms of the management. This, however, may be accounted for by the political influence of the New York Times.

Mr. Wm. L. Hill, who has been manager of the company at St. Louis for the last twenty-five years, would be pleased to see any of the policy holders at his office, and will take pleasure in showing them how fully protected they are.

#### TEXT OF BLAINE'S REPLY.

His Cable Message Accepting Chili's Proposition for Settlement.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—The following is the text of the cable message sent by Secretary Blaine accepting Chili's proposition for settlement of the differences between the two governments:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON, D.C., Jan. 30, 1892.—Egan, Minister, Santiago: I am directed by the President to acknowledge the receipt of Senor Pereira's dispatch of the 25th inst. It has been communicated to congress, and has given great pleasure to the people of the United States and to the executive department, as it restores the correspondence between the two republics to a basis of cordiality, and makes, as he believes, a full and honorable adjustment of all unsettled matters easily attainable. The President notes with gratification the expressions of regret for and condemnatory of the assault upon the sailors of the Baltimore, offered by Mr. Pereira, and congratulates the Chilean government upon the frank and ample withdrawal of the Matta circular and upon the spirit of justice displayed towards Minister Egan. You will assure the Chilean government that the President will be glad to meet in the most generous spirit these friendly overtures.

Believing that the subject of reparation for assault upon the seamen of the Baltimore is now capable of adjustment between the two governments by the usual diplomatic methods, the President postpones for the present any discussion of suggestions made by Senor Pereira as to the use of other methods, not doubting that the sense of justice of Chili will enable the two governments to speedily and honorably make full end of the whole matter. BLAINE.

#### RAILROAD MEN.

A Monster Meeting of Representatives From All Over the Union.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Two thousand and railroad men, representing every state and territory of the United States, met in the academy of music yesterday. Conductors, engineers, firemen, brakemen and telegraphers were present, all members of organizations distinct from each other. One object of the meeting is to effect a consolidation of the various orders at no distant day and to bring about closer and more friendly relations among the members.

The first business of the meeting was the indorsement of what are known as the Haley bills, now pending before the legislature, the first limiting the hours of service, the second providing against accidents and regulating number of men to manage various classes of trains. It was voted to make an effort to amend the conspiracy or anti-Pinkerton clause of section 119, of the penal code.

At the afternoon session ex-Railroad Commissioner Coffin, of Iowa, introduced a resolution providing for the equipment of all freight trains with automatic couplers and air-brakes, which was unanimously adopted.

#### The Evans Case.

The case of John Evans, charged with seducing Miss May Stewart, now Mrs. Joe Scherubel, will be called in Justice Fisher's court tomorrow and promises a lively time.

## TWO KILLED.

### FATAL ACCIDENT ON THE WABASH RAILROAD

An Engineer and an Unknown Tramp Killed—Track Strewn With Dead Stock.

Special to the Democrat.

WARRENTON, Mo., Feb. 1.—A fatal railroad collision occurred on the Wabash at this place last night between engines 379 and 247.

Charles Richardson, in charge of engine 379 was killed and George Brooks, of 247, has injuries that will cause his death. Brooks had orders to side-track his train at Truesdale but went to sleep without telling his fireman of this fact and slept until his engine crashed into Richardson's train. The two firemen jumped and escaped serious injury, but an unknown tramp was buried beneath the wreck and instantly killed.

The track is strewn with dead hogs, one of the trains having been loaded with stock.

THINKS HIS LIFE IS IN DANGER.

Eugene Murray, of Ladue, Feels Violence on His Way to Kentucky.

Eugene Murray, a cooper living at Ladue, Mo., was at the depot this morning on his way to Louisville, Kentucky, where he has been summoned to appear as a witness for the government in a case of whisky-stealing which will be tried February 15th.

Murray was employed in 1890 as a cooper for a distillery owned by Mahoney & Howard in a wild and rough part of Nelson county, Kentucky. He began to miss his barrels quite frequently and suspected moonshiners in the neighborhood of stealing them.

After carefully watching the matter, he was led to believe that the proprietors of the distillery were stealing the barrels and filling them with illicit whisky which they had taken from their receiving rooms without the knowledge of the revenue officers. By so doing, they saved a tax of about \$1 on the gallon. It was soon noticed that a larger amount of whisky was being shipped than had been "freed out" by the revenue officer who happened to be a new and inexperienced man.

An investigation was made and a trap door discovered leading to the tanks from which the whisky was taken at night.

The proprietors were arrested and will have their trial in a few days. Much money is said to have been expended by them in bribing witnesses.

Murray seems to be in great fear of meeting with foul play while on the road and carries an affidavit showing the purpose of his journey and fully identifying him as the man summoned by the government. He says that he will die before allowing anyone to take him from the train.

Private Detective John Seward, of Junction City, Kentucky, who has been engaged in private official work in Henry county, is here in the interest of the government to see that his man arrives safe.

#### PETTIS COUNTY COAL MINE.

It Will Supply Sedalia With Black Diamonds for the Next Hundred Years.

R. A. Blair, late a member of the state board of geology, says that the coal mine recently opened about three miles west of Sedalia, is covered with seven feet of micaceous sandstone containing fossils which positively identify it as not being sub-carboniferous, but a true coal measure deposit in an eroded sub-carboniferous valley.

It is perhaps a mile from these deposits to the bed of Muddy creek, the valley widening until it reaches that creek.

The existence of sandstone deposit so high up the valley that deepens towards the creek, indicates the possibility, as the beds are worked further down, of continuous beds and quantity of coal that will supply Sedalia for at least a hundred years.

The deposition of pocket coal has been little understood and in many parts of this state and in Arkansas, a wide variation of conclusion exists. The Sedalia beds will upon expert examination give interesting geologic conclusions as well as good economic results.

#### What Church Do You Attend?

The ticket department of General Auditor Pollock's office, is known in general office circles as the evangelical department, due to the fact that one of the efficient clerks is an

enthusiastic temperance evangelist, who has done yeoman service in the great cause, and is still engaged in the noble work of saving mankind from debauchery, ruin and disgrace.—Parsons Sun.

The evangelical part of the auditor's office is distinctly remembered by many of the clerks in Parsons and elsewhere. There is nothing better than saving a man's soul, even if he has to walk the invisible rope into paradise.

#### A QUARTETTE.

Sheriff Callaway, of Henry County, Passes Through With Prisoners for the Penitentiary.

Sheriff J. H. Callaway came in over the M. & T. from Clinton this morning in charge of four prisoners, three of whom he was taking to Jefferson City. He was assisted in guarding the men by Sam Callaway.

All of the prisoners were young men and securely handcuffed. In fact, it was a question with the sheriff whether he would be able to separate them. One of his assistants, Deputy Bennett, who carried the keys to the handcuffs, accidentally got left at Green Ridge. The sheriff had another one made in Sedalia.

Euell Harris, for burglary, got two years, on a compromise.

J. E. Piercy also had his case compromised and received two years for forgery.

John Bradshaw robbed a store at Windsor recently and, being under age, was sent to the reform school at Boonville for one year.

John Champion, a forger from Waverly, Illinois, has something of a history, and Sheriff Callaway did some excellent detective work in apprehending him. A short time ago, Champion entered a bank at Waverly and secured \$140 on a forged check. He skipped immediately upon getting the money and the officials sent descriptions of the man all over the country. Sheriff Callaway kept his eyes open and one day met his man. The arrest was made and the officers in Illinois informed of the fact. Requisition papers were issued and placed in the hands of Wm. Ogg who will see that his man arrives safely.

The prisoners were taken to their destination on the morning train.

#### GOT HIS MAN.

Detective John Seward, of Kentucky, Captures an Absconding Sheriff.

Capt. John Seward, of the Seward detective agency, with headquarters at Junction Centre, Ky., was in the city this morning.

Last Saturday he arrested near Ladue, Henry county, Sheriff Gaines, who absconded from Middlesboro, Ky., last October, with \$2,500.

Gaines was quite a popular young official, but fell into evil habits through the influence of wine and women.

One day he suddenly disappeared from Middlesboro, and upon an examination of his books, it was found that he was \$2,500 short.

It took some time to locate him, but he was finally found in Henry county, where he had been engaged in the real estate business.

Captain Seward also has another matter in hand in Sedalia in the matter of the arrest of a certain man who is wanted in Middlesboro, as a witness in an important government case. This man, whose name the DEMOCRAT is not at liberty to divulge, was paid a considerable sum to leave Kentucky and not appear as a witness.

Captain Seward is a most pleasant gentleman and formerly resided in Saline county.

In the late war he commanded a company of cavalry in Lee's Army of Northern Virginia.

#### Fighting a Woman.

Hiram Snyder was before Justice Blair this morning on the charge of fighting Liza Jane Martin, from whom he rents a house.

This fracas occurred last Saturday, when the question of rent was under consideration. Snyder is said to have become incensed and started in to disfigure Eliza Jane Martin.

He was released on a bond of \$50 to appear February 13th.

#### Again in the Toils.

Arthur Daniels, colored, was released from jail to-day after serving ten days, only to be arrested again for stealing a hatchet on Main street. Justice Fisher fined him \$10 and costs and sent him to jail.

#### Died From Pneumonia.

Mrs. W. R. Ditton died of pneumonia at her home, No. 517 East Ninth street, at 11 o'clock to-day. The time for the funeral has not been set.

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#### A FACTORY.

A Norborne Man Looking For a Better Location.

The Mexico Intelligencer prints the following, which may be of interest to Sedalians, now that manufacturing enterprises are being talked of:

NORBORNE, Mo., Jan. 28.—Board of Trade, Mexico, Mo.—DEAR SIRS: We take pleasure in saying to you that we have got what we believe to be the best invention that has ever been put on the market. We are looking out for a live town for a location. We want to establish a manufacturing interest. We propose in twelve months from starting to be employing one hundred hands. It may be you do not wish to make any bid on the location of such an enterprise, but if you do will you please write to J. R. Palmer Lock Co., Norborne, Mo. Our patent is that of a gravity door lock that we shall make a leader of in our manufacturing. An early reply will be appreciated. Respectfully, PALMER LOCK CO.

The American Security company of New York has established a branch office in Sedalia, and are prepared to receive applications to furnish bonds for bank cashiers, book-keepers and employees in Sedalia and Pettis county. For rates and terms call on R. C. Sneed, agent, Equitable building.

#### BEFORE JUSTICE FISHER.

A Number of Edit-Boys Arraigned for Various Offenses.

The case of Thomas Roberts, for feloniously assaulting Chas. Reinard, at Lamonte, was called this morning and continued until February 12th. Roberts is out on a \$1000 bond.

Henry Lungeberger appeared this afternoon charged by the Third National bank with petit larceny for taking \$16 which was overpaid to him on a check several days ago. The case was continued until February 8th on account of the absence of Prosecuting Attorney Longan. He was released on a \$50 bond.

#### FEBRUARY PRICES.

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And others too numerous to mention.

Remember these prices are for February only. No trouble to show goods. Call and see them, before all the nice patterns are sold at Heinrich's "My Jeweler," next to postoffice.

Liquors for family use, 115 W. Main, Frank Kruger.

#### Not for Thirty Years.

Captain John Seward and his brother Thomas Seward, of Junction City, Ky., passed through Sedalia this morning, on their way to Slater, Saline county, to visit a sister, Mrs. Patrick Cahill, whom they have not seen for thirty years.

Buy wine of Frank Kruger, 115 W. Main.

#### Ernest Wells Dead.

Ernest Wells, who was so badly injured by having his skull crushed several months ago in a railroad accident at Nevada, died at No. 412 East Twelfth street at 3 o'clock yesterday. He was buried at 2:30 this afternoon. A severe surgical operation was performed last week as the last means to save his life, but the efforts of the surgeons were futile.

#### The Biggs Trial.

The state versus Martin Biggs for stabbing G. W. Rogers on Second street several weeks ago was tried before Justice Blair at the police court room to-day and will not be finished until to-morrow.

Attorneys Longan and Lamm appear for the state and Attorneys Steele and Hastain represent the defendant.

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#### Certificate Filed.

A certificate of incorporation of the Sedalia Milling company was filed in Recorder Pilkington's office to-day.

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## "GOOD EVENING!"



## Have You Read THE DEMOCRAT?

This is Sedalia's year to boom.

New railroads and new rock roads are both needed.

SEDALIA should become noted for her manufacturing enterprises.

REMEMBER the Democratic club meeting to-morrow night at 7 o'clock.

THE Democratic club meets to-morrow night at 7 o'clock. Business of importance.

EVERY dollar invested in paying business enterprises helps every property owner or laboring man in Sedalia.

THE DEMOCRAT has made large gains in circulation during January, but expects to do even better during February.

EVERY property owner in Sedalia, and every working man as well, is interested in seeing a substantial increase in the democratic majority in Sedalia.

COL. DICK DALTON will talk on "democratic organization" at the court house Tuesday night, and every democrat in the city should hear him.

This will be a great year for Sedalia. Every man in town should bend his energies to the work of making Sedalia grow more this year than ever before.

THE DEMOCRAT is not given to boasting, but its actual circulation among paid subscribers is beginning to make its contemporaries carry a bad taste in their mouths.

FILLEY, the ablest republican manager in Missouri, is to be "turned down" to give place to some dude "silk stocking." At least that is the program—with Filley yet to hear from.

Now is the time for Sedalia democrats to get together. If we are to get the state capital we must increase our majority considerably during 1892, beginning at the city election.

THE Chili muddle has cooked Ben Harrison's presidential goose, even if no other good has been accomplished. John Sherman is said to be the only available presidential timber the republicans have now.

SEDALIA must encourage industries of every character if she desires to extend her strength, influence and wealth. In five years from now there will be such a city here as will be the pride of the entire state.

MORE glorious weather than the past week could not

be desired, but if the ground-hog does not see his shadow to-morrow the DEMOCRAT will take much pleasure in congratulating him on his escape from another six-weeks' imprisonment.

THE report that Cleveland contemplates withdrawing from the race for the presidential nomination is denied. His friends are actively at work and threaten to have a contesting delegation at the Chicago convention. This means the most bitter factional fight New York has ever known and virtually removes both Hill and Cleveland from the list of presidential possibilities. The country is tired of having to settle a New York family row every four years, and the feeling is wide-spread that it is time for the New Yorkers to understand that they are flesh and blood like other democrats and must take equal chances with others. As the Empire state, they can come to the convention with a powerful influence; but if they come divided into factions they may expect an invitation to take a back seat and remain there until they settle their differences. This paper believes any good, honest democrat can carry New York—if he is not identified with a New York faction.

## PUT THEM ON RECORD.

The plan of attacking the McKinley bill by a series of bills reducing the duties on articles of prime necessity to the masses of the people is the proper course for the democracy to pursue.

Such a course will bring practical results, and results are what the people are looking for.

The reduction of the duty on sugar showed plainly what effect such reduction has upon the market price, and a few more practical illustrations will effectually explode the whole protective tariff system.

These bills will put congressmen and senators upon record and they will have to face constituencies that have been educated wonderfully in the last few years.

All through the west and the northwest there is scarcely a state that can be counted upon as a staunch supporter of the republican policy, and all that is necessary to complete the rout is for the democrats in congress to put their opponents on record upon those questions the people are studying and talking about.

REV. CHARLES H. SPURGEON, one of the ablest and most popular preachers in the world, died on Sunday night. Probably no preacher in England ever did more real good to his fellow-men and his death will be deplored by millions of christian people, both in this country and Europe.

WITH a continuation of this weather the spring trade will soon begin to boom, and with the springing of the grass and the music of the blue-birds will be heard the seductive tones of the real estate agent and the satisfied laugh of the architect. Won't Sedalia grow.

## Low Wallace's Religion.

D. R. Lucas in Christian Standard.

Gen. Wallace is not associated as a member of any church, though a firm believer in Jesus as the Son of God. From many conversations with him and intimate acquaintance with his views, I would say he stands in just this position. He said to me about a week since, when I put the question to him directly: "There are only two articles to my creed and Jesus states them: 'Ye believe in God, believe also in me.' I believe in God, and Jesus as the Son of God, the revealer of the Father. I can accept no creed, or church, with more articles of faith than this. The church baptism, the Lord's Supper, and all these things are proper and right and may and should be obeyed, not as dogmas, but acts of loving faith in the Lord who gave them."

These are the exact words of Gen. Wallace and from some hours' talk with him at the time, as well as many former conversations, I would say that he stands aloof from membership in the church because he can not accept human dogmas and in his revolt from them has gone perhaps a little too far in the other direction, by underestimating the necessity of obedience to forms of divine teaching as he has come to a better understanding of the personality and spirituality of the religion of Jesus. The poetical and artistic nature of the man and the strifes of dogmatic theologians account to me very clearly for his position.

## MINSTRELS IN ALABAMA.

## A Rocky Experience Which Manager Macoy Had Down South.

Seated among a group of friends Friday night, Colonel E. H. Macoy, the accomplished and genial manager of "A Turkish Bath" company, which had just finished a brilliant performance at Wood's opera house, related an interesting experience he once had in the state of Alabama.

Some years ago he was manager of McCabe & Young's colored minstrels and started on a tour of the south with them. He got along pretty well until one day when he and his "niggers" arrived in the town of Union Springs, Alabama. The place had been thoroughly billed and the coming of the show was well known to the officials and other citizens of the town.

"As was my habit," said Colonel Macoy, "upon alighting from the train I gave each one of my 'niggers' a dollar so that they could seek out lodging and board for themselves, and I went to the hotel."

"I had hardly more than registered in the rusty old ledger on the landlord's counter, before I was approached by a stranger and informed that the mayor of the city would like to see me at his office immediately."

"I informed the gentleman that I was not acquainted with his honor was no kin to him, that I knew of, and if he wanted to meet me he would have to come to the hotel."

The unknown messenger then departed.

Pretty soon a pompous and portly individual arrived at the hotel and made my acquaintance. It was the mayor. He lost no time in telling me that I could not show in Union Springs. The people were terribly aroused against 'my niggers' being permitted to give a performance there. Such a thing had never been dreamed of in that community and it would not be tolerated.

"His honor grew rapidly red and excited and declared that the citizens of the town would burn their opera house down before it should be desecrated by a band of darkies occupying the stage."

"I used my utmost diplomacy to set things right and put myself in a proper and just position."

"I said to the mayor: I want you and your people to understand that I know my business, that I wish to abide by the proprieties, that I have a genteel company of minstrels; and, furthermore, while my father was a blue-bellied Yankee from Iowa, I am a red-hot democrat and don't like a nigger any better than you."

"But this did not seem to appease the mayor, and I soon saw that should I attempt to give a performance, the people of the town would actually set fire to their pet opera house."

"Turning to his honor I said: I propose to settle up all my bills in your town, take my niggers away as soon as the train can carry them, and when I get back home I propose to vote the strongest republican ticket I can find in Iowa."

"I carried out all but the last threat. I can't go back on Grover Cleveland, Boies and the rest of the democrats."

"Shortly afterward I left the south, chartered a steamship, took my minstrels to Key West and Havana and cleared about \$3,500 on the trip."

## A SHREWD TALKER.

## Dr. John A. Britts, of Clinton on His Way to See the Governor.

Dr. John A. Britts, one of the brainiest and most influential men of Clinton, was in the city last night on his way to Jefferson City to interview Governor Francis regarding the university removal.

Dr. Britts proposes to present Clinton's claim in the strongest manner possible and to agitate the clause which was omitted in the governor's message whereby the question of removal could be voted upon. The governor is at liberty to send any desired number of special messages and Dr. Britts will try to have this one sent to the house.

## Wants a Convention.

Dr. John A. Britts, a member of the state geological board, passed through Sedalia yesterday, on his way from Clinton to Jefferson City.

In conversation with a friend, he expressed the opinion that there should be a convention of all the counties in the state held at Jefferson City for the purpose of considering the removal of the university from Columbia.

The capital is preferred for the reason that it is not one of the competing points in the matter.

Dr. Britts thinks the convention should be held before the assembling of the extra session of the legislature.

## Removal.

Have removed my restaurant to 111 West Main street. If you want a good dinner or lunch call on me. J. G. DILLARD.

## AMUSEMENTS.

## "The Lion's Mouth."

Patriotism and love are the inspiring motives. When these two mighty passions meet in the bosom of a noble, valiant man, and finally after a terrible struggle, unite, they make him a hero. They elevate him. He attains a commanding height, beyond the reach of vindictive, murderous traitors. The conflict between the two is fierce and thrilling, the opportunities for dramatic situations splendid. It is with such phases of human nature that "The Lion's Mouth" deals.—*Minneapolis Tribune.*

At the opera house Thursday, February 4.

## A Great Artiste.

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## THE TROUBLE BEGINS.

## The People of Warsaw Will Try to Make it Hot for Sedalia.

THE DEMOCRAT several weeks ago in giving the information that the running of trains on the Sedalia, Warsaw & Southern was to be reversed, felt that a big howl would go up from the people along the line, particularly at Warsaw, when the change was made.

The change takes effect to-day. This difference in time-tables makes it impossible for people along the narrow gauge to transact business in Sedalia and return home the same day, thus compelling them to incur expense by remaining over night.

During the summer, the present change means an increased revenue for the road in the way of picnics and excursions which formerly sought the hills and streams along the road to spend a holiday.

## WILL RATTLE THE KEY.

## Jack D. Gibbs Back in Sedalia to Resume His Old Position.

It was announced several days ago that Jack D. Gibbs, formerly circuit manager at the depot, but traveling of late for "La Pluma" O'Brien's cigar house, would return February 1st and again fill his old position.

Jack came in yesterday from St. Joseph and points in the northwest, looking like a prize fighter and as bright as a dollar. While doing office work, Jack's health became poor and he decided to go on the road. The result has been everything desired.

No exact date was set for his return to the service of the Missouri Pacific, the matter simply remaining optional with himself.

## A Very Acceptable Donation.

To the Edward Murphy Temperance Club: I am glad to learn that the above club is prospering and it will under God's blessing. Please accept of these books—will bring more. Are there not others who will do the same? Yours in sympathy, GEO. MARSH.

Pastor Second Congregational church.

## A Note of Thanks.

Rev. Geo. Marsh will please accept the thanks of the Edward Murphy club for the kind donation of books to the club. This is the second donation from Rev. Marsh, and it is highly appreciated by the club and above all else do we appreciate the kind words of sympathy and encouragement that is received by the temperance workers from Rev. Marsh. May God be with you always, is the wish of the Edward Murphy club.

Respectfully,  
J. M. BROWN, President.

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## Removal.

Dr. M. L. Smith, eye-specialist, formerly located on the corner of Third and Lafayette streets, has removed his office to the corner of Fourth and Ohio streets, over Marcan's store. Call and see him.

## Music at Sweet Springs.

The Sanford Sisters' orchestra consisting of eight people passed through Sedalia yesterday afternoon on their way to Sweet Springs where they will give an entertainment to-night.

## Dangerously Sick.

Col. R. S. Stevens, well-known in this city and who made a record in connection with the old Tebo and Neosho division of the M., K. & T., is dangerously ill at the home of his son in Washington, D. C., and his recovery doubted.

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## A New Truck.

Baggage Truck No. 2 at the depot has been replaced by a new one, painted in gaudy colors. Harry Mayer devotes all his spare time playing with it by galloping up and down the depot platform.

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## A DREAM LADY.

How looked my love? Go ask the Tuscan gray  
How, in the golden heart of Paradise,  
Fell on his tranced soul the tender eyes  
Of Beatrice—or ask Petrarch to say  
How Laura's beauty on his spirit lay.  
What time she thrilled it with such rhapso-  
dies:  
Or ask of Tasso in what angel guise  
His Leonora wooed his woes away.  
So looked my lady, but she did not speak.  
Nor lift a hand, nor smile on me, nor sigh.  
Nor greet my soul with any outward sign:  
Yet by the token flowers of either cheek,  
And by the dewy pleading of her eye,  
I saw—I felt—I knew that she was mine.  
—James Newton Matthews in Indianapolis  
Journal.

## TRIAL BY JUDGE.

In one of the valleys to the east of the  
main spur of the Cumberland I stopped  
at a "huddle" of houses for the night. I  
was given a bed in a chamber with a  
window looking out on to the yard, and  
ten feet from the window stood a large  
apple tree. It being summer, the win-  
dow sash was raised.

It must have been about midnight  
when a sound at the window awoke me,  
and I got out of bed to see what was the  
matter. It did not take long to discover  
that some one was planning a surprise  
for me. A man had climbed the tree,  
and from a handy branch had thrust out  
a plank to reach the sill of the window.  
It was the end of the plank dropping on  
the sill which aroused me.

I stood back a little to watch, and  
presently the fellow, whose color I could  
not determine, started to creep along the  
plank. I didn't know exactly what to  
do at first, but finally decided to give  
him a fall instead of a bullet. Waiting  
until he was midway between the win-  
dow and the tree, I gave the end of the  
plank a shove and down he went, yell-  
ing in affright as he found himself go-  
ing. He had scarcely struck the ground  
when some one seized him. The house  
was alarmed, everybody turned out, and  
when I got down the owner of the house  
was standing guard over the man and  
saying:

"Now, then, Jim Hivers, you un has  
got yo'self into a powerful fuss! Yo'un  
has been tryin to git inter my cabin in  
the night time to rob the stranger, an if  
you un doan' dance high fur it I doan'  
want no mo' meat!"

"Wasn't a-tryin to git in," sulkily re-  
plied Jim.

"Then what was you un doin'?"

"Arter apples."

"Arter apples which hain't as big as

shucks at this time o' y'ar. Jim, yo' is

bad—bad all the way up an down. I've

knowned it fur y'ars, and I've knowed

that yo' would get cotched some day.

The cotchin has arrove."

"Cawn't prove itagin' me," calmly ob-  
served the prisoner.

"You un just wait! I'm gwine to tie

yo' up till daylight and then take yo' be-  
fo' Squar Taylor."

"Jess meant to look in the winder,"

explained Jim, who was evidently be-  
ginning to be alarmed.

"Oh, yes! We understand! Now

you un come along to the smokehouse

and doan' try any tricks on me!"

Next morning he was regularly ar-  
rested on a warrant charging him with

intent to enter and rob. The examina-  
tion took place in the school house, and

the justice conducted it without any  
lawyers to bother. When Jim was asked

to plead he replied:

"I jess didn't dun it, and I'll stick to

my fat if yo' hang me!"

"Then I'll enter a plea of not guilty,"

said his honor, and he asked me to take

the stand. I testified as related above,  
but all was not smooth sailing. When I

stated that I was aroused by a noise Jim

put in:

"He un doan' dun say what sort of a

noise, squar. That's mo' than fifty

kinds of noises, an he un's got to come

right down fine!"

When I said that I looked out of the

window and saw a man in the tree he

interrupted with:

"Squar Taylor, is you un gwine to put

that down agin' me. That's varus sorts

o' men. How does he un know it wasn't

a nigger? Pin him right down, squar."

"Couldn't bin no nigger, nohow," said

his honor. "Couldn't been nobody but

yous, kase yous the one cotched."

When I testified to pushing the end of

the plank off the sill, Jim looked done up

for a minute. Then a bright idea came

and he exclaimed:

"Hold he un down, squar." He says a

plank! How long was that plank? What

sort o' wood? Who did it belong to?

Doan' give he un no high ground over

me kase he looks peart."

The owner of the house testified to

having been disturbed by a strange

noise, and he had just gone to the door

when Jim fell from the tree.

"Shore it was me?" asked Jim.

"Of co'se."

"Doan' reckon it was anybody else?"

"Couldn't bin. Kase I grabbed it."

"Better be keerful! You's on oath.

What did I say?"

"Said you un was arter apples."

"Put that down plain, squar." Appler

isn't as big as beans yit, and if I was

arter apples it proves insanity. That's

one for me."

When he took the stand in his own

defense he was asked:

"Prisoner, what is your name?"

"What yo' drivin at, Squar Taylor?"

Aint no use to menshun any names an

git up a great fuss in de papers. Jess

go right along steady."

"Are you a resident of this village,

county and state?"

"Jess h'ar him. Squar Taylor, that

hain't no law. That's only foolin around,

jess like a man lookin up a coon tree

when the coon is somewhar else."

"What is your occupation?" continued

the squire.

"Say, squar," exclaimed Jim as he

arose and pounded on the desk, "this

hain't no case whar somebody stole a

hog. This is a case whar a nigger

climbed a tree to rob a white man in a

house, an it's got to go 'cordin to law or

I'll draw right out."

"Jim," replied the justice after some

reflection, "you un was up that tree."

"I dun deny it."

"You un reckoned to git in that win-

der."

"What winder? Hain't nobody swore  
on which side of the house that winder  
was."

"And you un reckoned to rob the

stranger."

"Hui! What's he un got to be robbed

of? Hain't nobody done swore he's got

nuff to buy a coon's tail."

"And you un was cotched?"

"Can't agree with you, squar. If a

feller stands still you can't cotch him.

He's got to be on the run."

"You un has been in jail fur stealin

tobacco?"

"Hui! That's nuffin to do with this

case. Who knows how many times this

stranger has been in jail? Put him right

up and ax him the qeshun, squar."

The justice scratched his head, sharp-  
ened his goosequill pen, looked from me

to Jim and back in a doubtful way and

finally said:

"Jim Hivers, I'm goin to let you un

go free."

"Of co'se."

"But be powerful keerful how yous

go blowin yous horn around in future."

"I hain't gwine to blow."

When court was dismissed his honor

came over to me and said:

"It's too bad to let he un go, but I

didn't want to upset you un."

"How do you mean?"

"Why, he un was bound to ask if

you un had ever been in jail for a

crime."

"Well."

"I thought from your looks that

you un certainly had, and perhaps in a

stronger place, and I wasn't goin to let

he un git the crow on you!"—M. Quad

in Detroit Tribune.

## An Unknown Tongue.

Those who have learned a foreign lan-  
guage with an approach to thoroughness  
often find in the dialects so many new  
languages to master. Almost any one  
who speaks English might be put down  
successively in half a dozen places where  
English is supposed to be the mother  
tongue, and hear as many dialects  
spoken, not one of which he would un-  
derstand until it was interpreted.

An old Broughton worthy and an Eng-  
lish lady were one day occupants of a  
railway carriage. The train had been  
waiting long at a certain station and  
there was no appearance of its starting,  
when the worthy remarked:

"They're a gly tanglesome lot here."

"I beg your pardon, sir," said the lady.

"Am sayin they're a gly daidlin lot

here."

"I really beg your pardon, sir."

"Am observin they are a vera dreich

lot here the night."

"I do not quite understand you."

"I'm wonderin if they're ettlin to

saunter here a night."

"Really I must again beg your par-

don. I don't comprehend you."

"I was just tryin to say that the train

was late."

"Indeed, sir, it is very late," agreed

the lady, and then collapsed.—Exchange.

## Sharks Do Not Roll Over.

Mr. Willard Nye, of New Bedford,  
Mass., was attempting to feed a small  
dusky shark at Woods Holl with the  
meat of a clam. He had a theory that  
the animal would turn before taking the  
food and would be slow in its movements,  
but to his surprise the shark snapped  
sideways "as quick as lightning," and  
took the clam and three fingers of the  
hand that fed it. Other sharks in the  
pool, attracted by the sight of blood,  
dashed up to the edge and would have  
made serious work if a victim had been  
within reach.

The notion that sharks always roll  
over when taking food is deeply rooted  
in the popular mind, but the foundation  
for this theory is not evident. But we  
have seen them taking menhaden in the  
side of the mouth while in the upright  
swimming position, shaking the head  
like a dog until the sharp teeth cut off a  
portion of suitable size and afterward  
picking up the remainder of the fish,  
provided some other shark had not cap-  
tured it.—Forest and Stream.

## The Sponge Is a Fish with a Stomach.

The sponge is perhaps one of the most  
curious of fishes, for fish it is, although  
several eminent naturalists of the past  
have maintained that it is not. One  
naturalist says that the animalcule of  
the sponge is a stomach, without arms,  
very simple, very elementary—in short,  
an animal all stomach. The innumera-  
ble canals in the sponge are at once its  
digestive organs and breathing pores.  
If a sponge is broken open it will be  
seen that the pores are of two different  
sizes. In the living state the water con-  
taining the particles of food is constant-  
ly being absorbed by the small holes  
and is discharged by the larger, the food  
being retained.

The number of species of sponges at  
present known is very large. In 1866  
Dr. Bowerbank described nearly 200,  
and several others have since been dis-  
covered. Sponge fishing at the present  
time takes place in the Grecian Archi-  
pelago.—London Tit-Bits.

## Books Made of Leaves.

In some countries leaves of trees are  
used for books. In Ceylon the leaves of  
the talipot, a tree common on that  
island, are used for a similar purpose.  
The talipot tree belongs to the palm  
family. It grows about a hundred feet  
high, is straight and has no real  
branches. When very old the tree blos-  
soms, and dies after ripening its fruit.  
The tree never blooms but once.

The leaves used for books are cut by  
the natives before they spread open, and  
are of a pale brownish yellow, a color  
they retain for ages. The characters  
are impressed upon the leaf and are  
rubbed over with charcoal to make them  
show more plainly. The leaves are then  
strung together between covers of board  
or of some less common material.—C. A.  
Lynde in St. Nicholas.



## A RUNAWAY WIFE.

## An Anxious Husband Searching for a Truant Wife Who Disappeared Last Monday.

H. C. Trowbridge, who lately conducted a pool and billiard hall at Pearl, Illinois, a point where the C. & A. crosses the Illinois river, was in the city to-day looking for his wife, Lillie Trowbridge, who disappeared from her home at Pearl in a mysterious way last Monday night.

Mr. Trowbridge recently sold out his business and decided to go to St. Louis. His wife objected to living in that city and said that "she would under no circumstances accompany him to St. Louis."

Her husband was engaged until a late hour last Monday night settling up his business and when he returned to his home he found the house deserted, without a trace to indicate how and where his wife had gone. He says that there was no trouble between them and that he is at a loss to account for her strange actions.

She is described as light complexioned, light hair with a tendency to curl, and light blue eyes. She weighs in the neighborhood of 120 pounds and is about 5 feet in height. Her face is very full and well developed. She moves at a very rapid gait for a woman when walking. She carried a cage containing a canary bird and, as far as her husband remembers, wore a short black wrap.

He immediately began a search and went to St. Charles county where a number of her relatives lived, but was unable to learn anything. He was then told by a C. & A. chair car porter with whom he was acquainted that his wife had left the train at Higbee, Mo., last Tuesday morning. This gave Mr. Trowbridge a clue and he came to Sedalia.

At No. 232 west Cooper street lives Miss Maggie Locks, an old friend of Mrs. Trowbridge. The husband thought that perhaps his wife was visiting her. Upon calling, he was told that she had not been seen, but in a way that caused him to grow suspicious. He can give no explanation of why his questions were, as he says, seemingly evaded and is strongly of the opinion that his wife is in hiding in Sedalia.

He could not locate her, however, and left this morning for Ellsberry, Mo. Any information regarding her will be thankfully received by him.

## MINISTERS MEET.

## The Alliance Assembles at the Y. M. C. A. Parlor This Morning.

At 10:30 o'clock this morning the ministers of Sedalia met at the Y. M. C. A. in their regular weekly meeting.

Rev. Albert Jump read a most excellent paper on "Pastorate Work," which provoked much favorable discussion.

A programme was arranged for the next four months and contained the names of many prominent laymen whose ability in treating the particular subjects given them will doubtless cause quite a stir when the addresses are made.

The name was changed from "Ministers' Alliance" to "Ministers' Association," and some changes made in the constitution.

A committee of W. C. T. U. ladies was present to ask the co-operation of the ministers in arranging for the lectures of Mrs. Clara Hoffman, the state president of the W. C. T. U., who will be in Sedalia February 14th. Rev. J. S. Myers, the president, was appointed to assist them.

The meeting then adjourned.

## Postponed.

By order of the building committee the receiving of bids for the construction of the church of the Sacred Heart will be postponed from February 1st until 12 m., Monday, Feb. 15th, when all bids should be in the hands of the pastor, Rev. B. Dickman.

## A Curious Crowd.

A large crowd of idlers collected at White's gun-smith shop on Second street this morning to watch him manufacture a key to unlock the handcuffs on two prisoners in charge of Sheriff Callaway, of Henry county.

Sedalia Truth \$1.00 per year.

## HOSPITAL NOTES.

George Burton, a colored section man, of Pleasant Green, Mo., was brought in this morning with a mashed finger.

## To Be Married.

Cards of invitation have been received from Mr. and Mrs. Moreland to the marriage of their daughter, Laura, to Victor B. Jesserich, February 8.

## Rapid Work.

The brick-layers on Second street worked all day yesterday in order to take advantage of the good weather and succeeded in reaching Ohio street on their way east.

## PERSONALS.

Judge Lay, of Warsaw, was in Sedalia yesterday.

Col. John S. Elliott, of Boonville, was in town yesterday.

Hon. C. C. Bell, of Boonville, was in the city yesterday.

Judge W. S. Shirk was a passenger to St. Louis at noon.

J. H. Bothwell, Esq., went to Smithton this morning, on legal business.

Sam Hyde, of the auditor's department, spent Sunday with his family in this city.

Warden J. L. Morrison passed through Sedalia yesterday on his way to Kansas City.

C. M. Sheets and wife have returned home from Illinois, where they visited several weeks.

Hon. John Cosgrove, of Boonville, passed through Sedalia yesterday, en route to St. Louis.

Mrs. J. A. Rasbach left yesterday for a visit of a few days with old friends at Sedalia.—Parsons Sun.

D. L. Hutchison leaves to-day for Topeka, Kansas, where he goes to boom the life insurance business.

W. B. Pratt, of the St. Louis Chronicle, went to Jefferson City at noon after a business stay of several days in Sedalia.

Tax Commissioner Sam Highleyman, of the Missouri Pacific railway, passed through Sedalia yesterday, en route to Pueblo, Colorado.

Tommy Hall and W. W. Miller, of the M., K. & T. freight department at St. Louis, blew into Sedalia yesterday and had a good time.

A. H. Campbell, of President Cross' office, Parsons, was in town yesterday. Bert is said to have become a famous deer-hunter in the territory.

G. W. Allen and George Sinclair circulated around Sicher's yesterday. George Allen had his old-time pacing gait and his famous laugh.

H. C. Harrison, a most pleasant and intelligent young gentleman, who is getting up a World's Fair album, with compliments of the M., K. & T. railway, is in the city.

Frank L. Brown, of Marshall, who has been the guest of A. C. Baldwin for the past three or four days, left this morning for Fayette, where he is attending Central college.

Capt. R. P. Archer has returned to St. Louis after a business stay in this city. The genial captain says it is very hard for anyone to remain away who has once been a resident of Sedalia.

Wm. Russell, a former Missouri Pacific engineer, is in the city to-day. Mr. Russell is now traveling engineer on the Missouri Pacific running from Kansas City to Pueblo.

R. J. Reese, a former resident of Sedalia, and now of Kansas City, was in town yesterday. His father, who resides at Knob Noster, is reported dangerously ill and is hardly expected to recover.

Mrs. J. W. Cunningham, wife of Assistant Paymaster Cunningham, of the M., K. & T., has arrived and with her husband has taken pleasant quarters with Mrs. T. Dinsmore. "Jim" is happy.—Parsons Sun.

## May Go to St. Louis.

Will Woods who will resign his position as chief clerk for Purchasing Agent C. N. Stevens, went to St. Louis at noon to confer with several parties who have offered him lucrative positions.

It is to be hoped that Mr. Woods will find a suitable position in Sedalia as he and his estimable wife have a large and extensive circle of friends in the city who would regret very much to have them leave the city. Mr. Woods is a capable and highly efficient business man and will have no trouble in being satisfactorily located.

## A Church Fair.

The ladies of the church of St. Vincent de Paul are making extensive preparations for a fair and festival to be given the latter part of February for the benefit of the new church.

No ladies in Sedalia are more capable of making a greater success or more enjoyable time than are these and a big time may be expected.

## Changed Managers.

John Riley to-day resigned the management of Hotel Riley to be succeeded by Fred Pfotenhauer, the proprietor of the Riley bar.

## A New Floor.

The old floor of the East Sedalia fire department is being torn up and a new floor is being put in.

## POLICE COURT.

Sherman Greenstreet and John Duffield were fined \$1 each this morning for drunkenness.

A colored man named Powell was slated for late hours, but owing to the absence of two witnesses his case was not tried.

# FINANCIAL CONDITION, JUNE 30, 1891,

## New York Life Insurance Co.,

—OF THE—  
WILLIAM H. BEERS, PRESIDENT.

### INSURANCE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 19, 1892.

Pursuant to statute, and by request of the Company's Board of Trustees, the undersigned, Superintendent of the Insurance Department of the State of New York, has caused an examination of the condition and affairs of the NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY to be made by the Deputy Superintendent of this Department.

This examination was made on June 30, 1891, and on that date we find that its assets and liabilities were as follows:

## Shows Assets,

**\$120,710,690.**

## Surplus,

**\$14,708,675.**

## Loaned on Real Estate,

**\$20,825,483.**

## Of which ONLY

**\$11,700**

## Exceeds the Security.

Every Stock and Bond was scheduled. Every Deed and Mortgage investigated. Every Policy valued.

The Superintendent's criticisms not justified by his Deputy's Report.

The above total surplus of \$14,708,675.83 is exclusive of any amounts due from Agents, and is larger than the surplus of any other purely mutual life insurance company in the world. The above figures as to surplus, assets, etc., are the general net results of our company's present management, which management has controlled the company for the past third of a century.

OFFICE, ODD FELLOWS' BUILDING, ST. LOUIS.

Wm. L. Hill, Manager. J. T. & D. Boone, State Agents.

## ASSETS.

1. Appraised value of real estate owned by the Company, as per Exhibit 1.....	\$ 13,225,038 59
2. Loans on bond and mortgage (first liens) on real estate, as per Exhibit 2.....	20,825,483 64
3. Loans secured by pledge of bonds, stocks or other marketable collateral, as per Exhibit 3.....	3,509,500 00
4. Premium notes, loans or liens on policies in force, the reserve on such policies being in excess of all indebtedness thereon, as per Exhibit 4.....	438,868 00
5. Market value of bonds, stocks and securities owned absolutely, as per Exhibit 5.....	75,016,949 92
6. Cash in Company's office.....	14,092 66
7. Cash in bank, except fixed deposits in foreign countries, included in Item 5..	2,610,094 52
8. Interest due and accrued on bonds and mortgages.....	427,210 31
9. Gross premiums due and unreported on policies in force.....	\$3,682,577
10. Gross deferred premiums on policies in force.....	1,964,648
11. Annuity premiums uncollected.....	157,091
12. Total.....	\$5,804,316
13. Deduct 20 per cent. loading on above gross amount.....	1,160,863
14. Net amount of uncollected and deferred premiums.....	4,643,453 00

Total assets.....\$120,710,690 64

## LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS.

1. Net present value of all the outstanding policies in force on the 30th day of June, 1891, computed according to the combined experience table of mortality with 4 per cent. interest.....	\$105,010,324 00
2. Deduct net value of risks of this company reinsured in other solvent companies.....	402,120 00
3. Net reinsurance reserve.....	\$104,608,104 00
4. Claims for matured endowments due and unpaid.....	39,019 00
5. Claims for death losses unpaid (proofs not complete).....	990,507 00
6. Amounts due and unpaid on annuity claims.....	146,550 81
7. Liability on account of lapsed policies.....	138,481 00
8. Premiums paid in advance.....	79,353 00
9. Total liabilities on policy-holders' acct.....	\$106,002,014 81
10. Gross surplus on policy holders account.....	14,708,675 83
11. Total liabilities.....	\$120,710,690 64
12. Estimated surplus, accrued on Tontine or other policies, the profits upon which are specially reserved for that class of policies.....	8,670,539 50
13. Estimated surplus accrued on all other policies.....	6,038,136 33

Signed, JAMES F. PIERCE, Superintendent.

MICHAEL SHANNON, Deputy Superintendent.

## STEAMSHIP LOST.

## The Elder, of New York, Goes Down With Great Loss of Life.

LONDON, Feb. 1.—The steamship Elder, from New York, with four hundred passengers on board, struck upon the rocks off the coast of the Isle of Wight last night and went down. It is feared there was great loss of life.

## Club Rooms Open.

The Edward Murphy club rooms, 112 East Fifth street, are open day and night and a cordial invitation is extended to strangers in the city and to citizens to call and make themselves at home.

## Marriage License.

A license was taken out in the recorder's office to-day by Frank Van

Kirk and Lou Bremer, both of Sedalia.

## To Submit Plans.

At the meeting of the Commercial club next Thursday night Architects Epperson and Franklin will respectfully submit plans and specifications for the new convention hall to be built.

## Food for Lovers.

J. C. Badgett, the genial salesman for the big pickle house of the Dodson-Hills Manufacturing company, St. Louis, is selling his goods in Sedalia to-day.

Sedalia Truth \$1.00 per year.

SEDALIA R. A. CHAPTER, No. 18, will hold a special convocation this (Monday) evening, February 1, at 7:00 o'clock, for work in R. A. degree. Visiting companions are fraternally invited to attend. By order of E. W. LAMB, Sec'y. GEORGE LOBB, H. P.